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GEOLOGIC AND WATER-RESOURCES INVESTIGATIONS
OF THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY, NIGERIA

REF: LAGOS 4647

PASS HARVEY CLEW FROM CHIDESTER, USGS

1. THE DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN USGS AND FCDA SEEM TO HAVE GONE
FULL CIRCLE. WHAT THE CHAIRMAN OF FCDA "REALLY WANTS"
(SEE REFTEL) IS ESSENTIALLY WHAT USGS PROPOSED IN ORIGINAL
VERSIONS OF PIP'S, AND WHICH FCDA INSISTED BE MODIFIED TO
INCLUDE A FULL STATEMENT OF WORK PLAN AND BUDGET - WHICH
WAS SET FORTH IN CHIDESTER'S LETTER OF MARCH 13 TO KOKO.

2. PROGRAM PROPOSED BY USGS IS WHAT USGS CONSIDERS
NECESSARY TO ACQUIRE A REGIONAL REFERENCE DATA BASE
ESSENTIAL TO SOUND ENGINEERING PRACTICE IN DEVELOPING THE
WATER RESOURCES AND IN CONSTRUCTING THE CITY. USGS HAS NO

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SPECIAL INTEREST IN PRESSING FOR ANY PART OF PROPOSED
PROJECTS, BUT FCDA SHOULD CLEARLY UNDERSTAND THAT THE
EFFECTIVENESS OF USGS IN POSSIBLE ADVISORY ROLE IN
FOLLOW-ON ACTIVITIES WOULD BE SERIOUSLY LIMITED BY LACK
OF REGIONAL REFERENCE DATA, FOR WHICH USGS PROPOSAL
PROVIDES. IF FCDA WANTS TO MODIFY PROJECT PLANS SET
FORTH IN PIPS 4-6, USGS WILL ACCOMMODATE TO FCDA REQUEST

INSOFAR AS POSSIBLE, BUT A SPECIFIC RESPONSE FROM FCDA
IS REQUIRED.

3. ACCORDING TO REFTEL, AND A TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH
STEVEN LOCKWOOD OF PRC, THE FCDA FEELS ITS MOST URGENT
NEED IS FOR AN ADVISOR ON WATER-RESOURCES REQUIREMENTS.
USGS WILLING TO SEND A WATER-RESOURCE SPECIALIST, DE-
PENDENT ON AVAILABILITY AND INTERNAL APPROVALS, FOR 4
WEEKS CONSULTATION TRIP. USGS WILL REQUIRE REIMBURSEMENT
BASED ON ACTUAL EXPENSES, INCLUDING SALARY, ALLOWANCES,
TRAVEL, PER DIEM, AND ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL
SUPPORT. THE RATES AND BASIS FOR THESE COSTS ARE STATED
IN ATTACHMENT L OF 1 OF GON-PIP-5, AND TOTAL ELEVEN
THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR THE 4 WEEK PERIOD. CHRISTOPHER

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